## **Stewardship and Planned Giving Programs**

We were very successful in our 2024 Stewardship Drive.

	# of Pledges	Total Pledges
2023	29	\$ 50542
2024	32	\$ 60080

Not only did we increase the number of pledges but the pledge amount has increased to more than \$ 60000.

This means we have the means to continue to support the ministries of Good Shepherd.

This brings us to our new financial endeavor for "Planned Giving"

1. The Planned Giving Program is being developed to ensure the future financial health of Good Shepherd so that it can continue it's outreach ministries and witness to Jesus.

Page 445 of the Book of Common Prayer says:

"The Minister of the Congregation is instructed, from time to time, about the duty of Christian parents to make prudent provisions for the well being of their families, and of all persons to make wills, while they are in good health, arranging for the disposal of their temporal goods, not neglecting, if they are able, to leave bequests for religious and charitable uses."

If you do not have a will, state law will determine your estate disbursement.

In the second quarter we will mail all parishioners information about our Planned Giving Program and how to participate.

We again thank you for your continued support of the stewardship drive and will soon ask you to assess your participation in the New Planned Giving program for the long term support of Good Shepherd.